



# Torrance Public Library

## SEPTEMBER 2011

# Calendar of Events



(KGCCL = Katy Geissert Civic Center Library)

**\*\*All Library events are free\*\***

### ADULT PROGRAMMING

Saturday, September 10	2:00 pm	<b>Oral History, Documenting Your Life Stories</b> – Join us for an afternoon with Karen Harper, Oral Historian, community historian, and member of the Southwest Oral History Association (SOHA). Ms. Harper will provide an introduction to the basic of oral history including interviewing techniques, sample questions and live exercises.	KGCCL
Monday, September 12	7:00 pm	<b>Torrance Library Commission Meeting</b>	KGCCL
Wednesday, September 14	7:00 pm	<b>Mad Men Unbuttoned</b> – Join us for an evening with Natasha Vargas-Cooper, journalist and obsessive fan of television's mad men, will analyze and discuss the context and social history of cultural artifacts featured in the show that capture the historical themes of mid-century, including ads, paintings, politics and social mores.	KGCCL
Wednesday, September 21	11:00 am	<b>Wayback Wednesday</b> – What Veda wants, her mother Mildred Pierce provides. Even if Mildred must end her middle class marriage, climb atop the male-dominated business world and marry a wealthy man she doesn't love. "I'll do anything." Mildred says in explaining her love for her daughter. But does anything include murder? Just when you think you got this nominee for five Oscars including Best Picture figured out, along comes a shocking twist ending!	KGCCL
Saturday, September 24	2:00 pm	<b>Monthly Movie</b> – In the gripping thriller, Mick, a slick, charismatic Los Angeles criminal defense attorney who operates out of the back of his Lincoln Continental sedan. Having spent most of his career defending petty, gutter-variety criminals, Mick unexpectedly lands the case of a lifetime: defending a rich Beverly Hills playboy who is accused of attempted murder. However, what initially appears to be a straightforward case with a big money pay-off swiftly develops into a deadly match between two masters of manipulation and a crisis of conscience.	KGCCL
Saturday, September 24	10:00 am	<b>Photo Box Craft Program</b> – Learn to make a photo box and matching birthday card using techniques demonstrated by paper-crafter Judy Kubota. Registration is required for this free program for adults; call Southeast Library (310) 530-5044.	Southeast

### STORYTIMES!

Tuesdays	10:30 am	<b>Babytime</b> – This program is designed for infants ages 6 to 18 months, with the one-on-one participation of a caregiver.	KGCCL
Mondays	10:30 am	<b>Toddler time</b> – This program is for children ages 18 months to 3 years and a participating caregiver.	KGCCL
Wednesdays	11:00 am	<b>Toddler time</b> – This program is for children ages 18 months to 3 years and a participating caregiver.	El Retiro
Tuesdays	7:00 pm	<b>Pajama-Rama</b> – Children and caregivers are encouraged to wear their pajamas and bring their special pillows and/or blankets.	KGCCL
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Mondays	10:30 am	<b>Family Storytime</b> – Stories, songs and fun for the entire family.	Walteria
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## **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

<b>Wednesday, September 14</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Wacky Wednesdays</b> – Meet the firefighting heroes of Torrance! Get up close to fire trucks, fire engines and firefighting equipment and learn what it takes to be a firefighting hero. (Wacky Wednesdays will continue during the construction in the McMaster meeting room).	<b>North Torrance</b>
<b>Thursday, September 15</b>	<b>3:30 pm</b>	<b>Teen Zone!!</b>	<b>KGCCL</b>
<b>Thursday, September 22</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Back to School with Junie B. Jones</b> – children are invited to celebrate the return to school with our favorite 1 <sup>st</sup> grader Junie B. Jones. Stories, crafts and refreshments.	<b>Walteria</b>
<b>Friday, September 23</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Wimpy Kid Cartoon Class</b> – Dave Boatman, professional cartoonist, teaches you how to draw Wimpy Kid cartoon characters and shares fun facts about the author and creator, Jeff Kinney. It's a fun, interactive, artistic and creative hour of cartoon drawing. The class is also designed to motivate and inspire children in their love of drawing.	<b>KGCCL</b>
<b>Saturday, September 24</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Musical Mornings</b> – Twinkles the Clown! Twinkles introduces us to her puppet friends and they all have wonderful songs and stories to share with us.	<b>KGCCL</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 28</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Pages and Pizza</b> – Readers choice	<b>Southeast</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 28</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>Back to School with Captain Underpants</b> – Children are invited to celebrate the return to school with our favorite 4 <sup>th</sup> graders.	<b>Henderson</b>

## **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS**

<b>Tuesday, September 6</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>El Retiro Book Club:</b> The Plot Against America by Phillip Roth	<b>El Retiro</b>
<b>Wednesday, September 7</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Science Fiction &amp; Fantasy Book Group:</b> Something Wicked Comes This Way by Ray Bradbury	<b>KGCCL</b>
<b>Thursday, September 8</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>	<b>Biography &amp; Memoirs Book Club:</b> Magnifico: The Brilliant Life and Violent times of Lorenzo de'Madici by Miles Unger	<b>KGCCL</b>
<b>Thursday, September 8</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Mayhem in the A.M. Book Group:</b> Hell Gate by Linda Fairstein	<b>Henderson</b>
<b>Monday, September 12</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Mystery Book Group:</b> The Moonstone by Wilkie Collins	<b>North Torrance</b>
<b>Thursday, September 22</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Creative Spirit Book Group:</b> Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Strout	<b>Southeast</b>

## **HARDBACK BOOK SALE!**

### **Katy Geissert Civic Center Library – Community Meeting Room**

**Friday, October 21** – Friends Members Only pre-sale from 2 pm to 6 pm

(Memberships sold at the door starting at 1 pm)

**Saturday, October 22** – Public Sale from 9 am to 4 pm

Once again the Friends of the Torrance Library will offer a great selection of encyclopedias, reference materials, children's books and thousands of books on a vast array of topics – all at bargain prices. A variety of records, CDs, cassette tapes, VHS tapes and DVDs will be offered.

Your donations are needed! The heart and soul of our book sales are your donations of materials. Keep them coming! Ongoing sales near the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library checkout counter, the Friends of the Torrance Library maintain brightly-lit shelves of bargain priced quality hardbound books. Take these items to the checkout counter and pay for them. The shelves are restocked daily.

## **LOCATIONS**

### **El Retiro Branch Library**

126 Vista del Parque; 310-375-0922

### **Henderson Branch Library**

4805 Emerald St.; 310-371-2075

### **North Torrance Branch Library**

3604 Artesia Blvd.; 310-323-7200

### **Southeast Branch Library**

23115 S. Arlington Ave.; 310-530-5044

### **Walteria Branch Library**

3815 W. 242<sup>nd</sup> St.; 310-375-8418

### **Katy Geissert Civic Center Library**

3301 Torrance Blvd.; 310-618-5959



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